

REMARKS**Status of Claims**

In this amendment, claims 61-62 and 68 have been amended to correct inadvertent grammatical and/or readability issues. It is respectfully submitted that there is adequate support in the specification for the foregoing amendments. Furthermore, the changes either address minor informalities and, as a result, do not affect the scope of claimed subject matter or may in some instances broaden claim scope. No new matter, nonetheless, is introduced. As a result, no prosecution history estoppel results from these changes. It is respectfully requested that the Examiner enter the amendments to claims 61-62 and 68 and allow all pending claims to proceed to issuance.

Previously Submitted Power of Attorney

Assignee respectfully reminds the Examiner of a Revocation of Power of Attorney with New Power of Attorney and Change of Correspondence Address filed on August 27, 2004.

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Comments On Statement Of Reasons For Allowance

The Examiner's statements of reasons for allowance are hereby acknowledged by Assignee. Assignee agrees that claimed subject matter is patentably distinct from the documents cited by the Examiner; however, Assignee takes no position regarding the reasons for allowance presented by the Examiner, other than the positions Assignee may have previously taken during prosecution of the above-referenced patent application. Therefore, the Examiner's reasons for allowance should not be attributed to Assignee as an indication of the basis for Assignee's belief that any claims are patentably distinct. Furthermore, it is respectfully asserted that there may also be additional reasons for patentability of claimed subject matter not explicitly stated in this record. While in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.104(e), a failure by the Assignee to disagree with the Examiner, or file more detailed comments, does not give rise to any implication that the Assignee agrees with or acquiesce in the reasoning of the Examiner, here, by this document, Assignee is expressly making clear that no such agreement or acquiesce is present.

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CONCLUSION

All claims are in a condition for allowance in the above-referenced patent application. It is respectfully requested that the following comments be entered in the record of the above-referenced patent application prior to issuance of all pending claims. If the Examiner has any questions, he is invited to contact the undersigned at (503) 439-6500.

Please charge any shortages and credit any overcharges of any fees required for this submission to Deposit Account number 50-3703.

Respectfully submitted,

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